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| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b> |  | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>2003P16152WOUS</b>                                   |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/EP2004/010254</b>   |  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br><b>09/14/2004</b>                                      |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br><b>Device for singulating overlapping flat mailings</b>   |  | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>to be assigned 10/27/2004</b> |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br><b>Siemens Aktiengesellschaft</b>  |  | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br><b>10/29/2003</b>  |

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  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
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6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
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7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
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11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
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5. Preliminary Amendment;
6. PCT Form 308 (copy);
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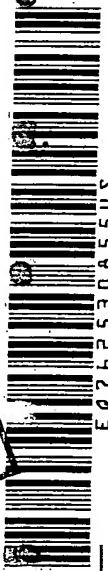
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